



A NextLight Timeline: Early Days

1996: An LPC white paper to City Council raises the possibility of a municipal Internet service.

1997: LPC, installs a 17-mile fiber-optic loop for \$1.1 million, in conjunction with PRPA.

2001: Adesta files for bankruptcy as the nationwide "tech bubble" bursts.

1996-2000: LPC looks for private partners to build out a citywide network.

2000: Longmont enters a partnership with Adesta.

2001-2005: LPC searches for a new private partner.



A NextLight Timeline: State Limits

2005: Colorado
Legislature passes
SB152: No
municipal telecom
without voter
approval.

2010: Longmont
participates in
Google's fiber city
contest; the
community fully
engaged and the
awareness of the
advantages of fiber
was heightened

2012: As a thank-
you to voters, LPC
provides free Wi-Fi
at Longmont parks
and community
events.

2009: Local ballot
issue to repeal
SB152 is defeated.
Industry-backed
opponents spend
about \$240,000.

2011: Local ballot
issue to repeal
SB152 passes with
60% of the vote,
despite \$419,629
spent by
opponents.



A NextLight Timeline: Getting Started

2013: LPC
presents
business plan.
Voters approve
up to a \$45.3
million bond
issue for a fiber
network.

Feb. 2014:
Contractor hired
to design and
engineer the
new citywide
network.

June 2014:
Contractor hired
to build
Longmont's
network in six
phases.

2014: LPC adds
personnel and
support systems
for the new
network
throughout the
year.

March 2014:
\$40.3 million of
fiber bonds
issued, drawing
lower interest
rates and more
bidders than
expected.



A NextLight Timeline: Takeoff!

July 2014: LPC launches a 10-gigabit WAN for the St. Vrain Valley School District.

October 2014: LPC introduces its broadband system as "NextLight."

2015: LPC accelerates build due to high demand; projected finish in 2016.

August 2014: Construction begins in Phase 1, south-central Longmont.

November 2014: NextLight is first launched to a 433-home area.